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FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM

- 1. WHILE FULLY RECOGNIZING THAT DECISION HAS BEEN MADE NOT RPT NOT TO ATTEND OSLO CONFERENCE, I AM CONCERNED AT BASIS FOR OUR DECISION AS OUTLINED IN PARA 3 REFTEL WHICH WE WILL BE SHARING WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND PRESUMABLY WILL BE USING ULTIMATELY AS BASIS PUBLIC POSITION.
- 2. WE HAVE BEEN MAKING SPECIAL EFFORT IN AFRICAN BUREAU TO CONVINCE AFRICANS THAT OUR NATO RELATIONSHIP DOES NOT RPT NOT PLAY ROLE IN OUR POLICIES WITH RESPECT PORTUGUESE AFRICA. I WOULD THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST WE DROP ANY REFERENCE POINT (A) IN FURTHER CONFIDENTIAL

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CONVERSATIONS THIS SUBJECT.

3. FURTHER, PARTICULARLY IN CONVEYING THIS TO PORT-UGUESE, I WOULD HOPE WE COULD MAKE POINT THIS DECISION IN NO WAY DIMINISHES OUR STATED POSITION FAVORING SELF- DETERMINATION IN PORTUGUESE AFRICAN TERRITORIES NOR OUR OPPOSITION TO APARTHEID IN SOUTH AFRICA. I BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT FOR PORTUGUESE TO REALIZE WE REACHED THIS DECISION ON BASIS FACTORS OTHER THAN THEIR STRONG REPRESENTATIONS TO US.

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